MASSACHUSETTS MEN AGAINST THE SEA

THE EXCITING SAGA OF YANKEE FISHERMEN

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SOMETIMES THE MEN WERE IN FOR A "NANTUCKET SLEIGH RIDE!"

AYE, FISHING HAS BEEN A VITAL PART OF MASSACHUSETTS HISTORY... EVER SINCE THE DAYS OF THE PILGRIMS.
I GUESS YOU COULD CALL IT "AMERICA'S FIRST INDUSTRY."

...LATER, GLOUCESTER SCHOONERS BRAVED THE FIERCE SEAS AND DENSE FOG OF THE GRAND BANKS TO FEED A GROWING NATION."

"YANKEE SAILORS FACED COUNTLESS PERILS. OFTEN, THEY FOUND THEMSELVES LOST IN THE HEAVY SEA MISTS..."
IS THAT THE SHIP'S HORN I HEAR?

DORY OFF THE STARBOARD BOW! WELCOME "HOME", BOYS.

WOW! FISHING WAS EXCITING IN THOSE DAYS. I GUESS IT'S DIFFERENT TODAY, ISN'T IT?
I'VE GOT NEWS FOR YOU, KIDS. DIFFERENT, MAYBE... BUT GREATER THAN EVER!

TODAY, WE'RE IN THE "SPACE AGE" OF FISHING! THERE'LL ALWAYS BE THE FREEDOM, THE EXCITEMENT AND ADVENTURE OF GOING TO SEA, BUT MODERN SCIENCE HAS NOW MADE FISHING MUCH EASIER AND SAFER ...AND MORE PROFITABLE! NOW IT'S ALWAYS A QUICK TRIP TO THEIR ATLANTIC FISHING GROUNDS...
"THEY'VE GOT NEW NAVIGATIONAL AND COMMUNICATIONS GEAR... RADIO-TELEPHONES, AUTOMATIC PILOTS, FATHOMETERS, RADAR...!"
"... AND THE CLOSE PROTECTION OF COAST GUARD CUTTERS PATROLLING THE YEAR 'ROUND."
"NEW IDEAS MAKE EVEN THE HARDEST OF THE FISHERMAN'S CHORES EASIER. STRONG NETS OF SYNTHETIC FIBERS NOW REPLACE THE HEAVY WATER-LOGGED NETS I ONCE HEFTED!"
"BUT THE BIGGEST DIFFERENCES BETWEEN SEAFARING IN MY TIME AND TODAY ARE IN THE FISHING ITSELF... AND THE CATCHES!"

DO YOU MEAN THAT THERE AREN'T AS MANY FISH LEFT TO CATCH THESE DAYS... THAT IT'S HARDER NOW?
NOTHING OF THE SORT, MARGE. MATTER OF FACT, IT'S JUST THE OPPOSITE.
"THERE ARE AS MANY FISH IN THE SEA AS EVER... BUT NOW, MASSACHUSETTS FISHERMEN KNOW HOW TO CATCH MORE OF THEM! GEORGES BANK, STELLWAGEN BANK, BROWNS BANK, CULTIVATOR AND NANTUCKET SHOALS SOUTHEAST OF CAPE COD ARE THE WORLD'S RICHEST FISHING GROUNDS... TEEMING WITH MILLIONS OF FISH!"
"MEN OUT OF BOSTON PORT TRAWL THE BOUNTIFUL WATERS OF GEORGES BANK FOR COD AND HADDOCK... CATCHING UP TO 150,000 POUNDS EACH TRIP!"
"THE GLOUCESTER FLEET HARVESTS DELICIOUS WHITING..."

"... WHILE NEW BEDFORD MEN HAUL IN THOSE POPULAR SHELLFISH, SEA SCALLOPS... AND DELICIOUS FLOUNDER..."

IT SURE SOUNDS GREAT... 'SPECIALLY THAT PART ABOUT SCIENCE. THAT'S THE NAVIGATIONAL AND COMMUNICATIONS GEAR YOU WERE TELLING US ABOUT, HUH?
THAT'S ONLY PART OF IT... JUST WAIT TILL YOU HEAR THE REST!
CAP'N ED'S FISHING GEAR CO.

"SCIENCE TODAY TAKES THE GUESSWORK OUT OF FISHING! THAT'S HOW COME THE MASSACHUSETTS FLEET NOW KNOWS EXACTLY WHERE TO GO... AND WHEN... FOR THE BIGGEST CATCHES!"
BETTER TELL THE HELMSMAN TO CHANGE COURSE... NOW THAT I KNOW WHERE THE FISH ARE RUNNING HEAVIEST.

IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE, BUT TRUE! FISHERY BIOLOGISTS, MARINE SCIENTISTS ... CAN NOW ACCURATELY PREDICT FOR MASSACHUSETTS FISHERMEN YEARS IN ADVANCE HOW AND WHERE THE FISH WILL BE RUNNING!
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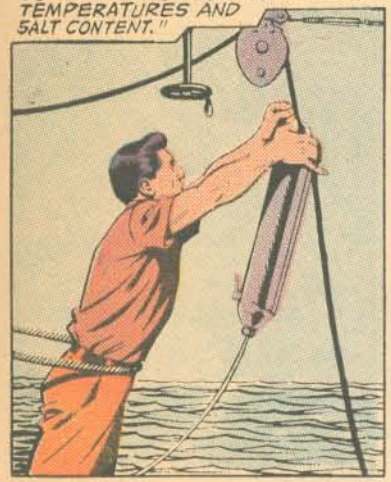
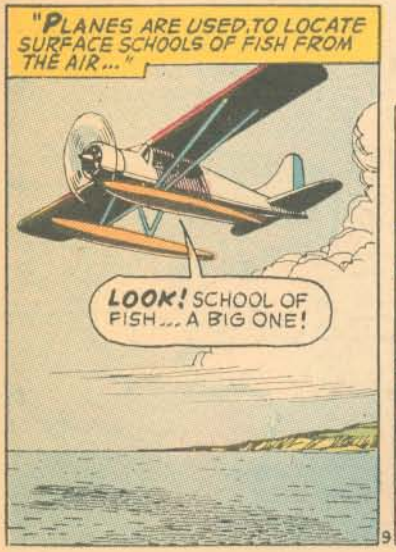

"YOU'D BE AMAZED AT THE NUMBER OF SCIENTISTS WORKING HARD AT JOBS LIKE MEASURING WATER TEMPERATURES AND SALT CONTENT."

"AND IF YOU THINK THAT'S ALL, YOU'RE WRONG. THERE'S THE BATHYSCAPHE, USED TO CHECK THE OCEAN'S CURRENTS AND ITS AMAZING SEAFOOD POPULATIONS..."


"PLANES ARE USED, TO LOCATE SURFACE SCHOOLS OF FISH FROM THE AIR..."
LOOK! SCHOOL OF FISH... A BIG ONE!

"TRAWLERS HAVE SONAR AND DEPTH RECORDING EQUIPMENT... ELECTRONIC DEVICES TO REPORT THE VAST SCHOOLS OF FISH FEEDING BELOW..."
HMMM... BIG SCHOOL OF BOTTOM FISH DOWN THERE.

"NOT THAT ANY FISHERMAN WORTH HIS SALT NEEDS ELECTRONIC GEAR TO TELL HIM HE'S GOT A GOOD CATCH. 1500 POUNDS OF NETTED FISH BOILING TO THE SURFACE IN ONE HAUL SPEAKS FOR ITSELF!"

"IT'S ALWAYS A PICTURE OF PLENTY, WITH EACH CATCH SHOWING THE WIDE VARIETIES OF DELICIOUS FISH THERE FOR THE CAPTURE ..."

YES, SCIENCE HELPS THE MODERN SEAMAN HARVEST THE OCEAN. BUT FISHING IS STILL A JOB OF PERSONAL SKILL FOR ADVENTUROUS MEN WILLING AND ABLE TO WORK HARD. AND JUST AS IN EARLIER DAYS, THE SEAFARING LIFE TOUGHENS A MAN. BUT THE REWARDS OF FISHING THE ATLANTIC TODAY ARE FAR GREATER THAN BEFORE!

"THE BIGGEST REWARD FOR OUR SEAMEN IS THE PAY! TODAY'S BIG MARKET FOR MASSACHUSETTS SEAFOODS MEANS THAT THEIR INCOMES CAN REACH $14,000 A YEAR... AND THAT'S FAR BETTER THAN MANY SHORESIDE DESK JOBS CAN PROVIDE!"
BANK
BANK BOOK

"THAT'S WHY I CALL THEM SEAFARING CAREER MEN... PULLING TOGETHER FOR BIGGER CATCHES AND BIGGER PROFITS!"

"THERE'S ALWAYS A FINE TIME BETWEEN WATCHES ... A SHIP AT SEA MAKES A GOOD SECOND HOME..."

"AND THE EATING IS LIP-SMACKING GOOD AND PLENTY OF IT! WHERE ELSE CAN A MAN GET SUCH MAN-SIZE SERVINGS OF MOUTH-WATERING SEAFOODS, FRESH FROM THE SEA?"
OH, BOY! WE'RE STARTING WITH GOOD OLD NEW ENGLAND CHOWDER!
I'LL HAVE DOUBLES!

QUIT, GRANDFATHER...YOU'RE MAKING ME HUNGRY!
THE VERY MEMORY'S MAKING ME HUNGRY TOO! CHOWTIME ALWAYS BRINGS FISH AND SHELLFISH MEALS FIT FOR A KING. BUT THE BIGGEST SATISFACTION IS THE PRIDE IN RETURNING WITH ICY HOLDS FILLED WITH FRESH CATCHES!

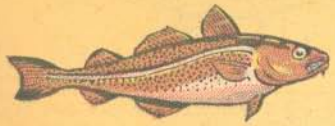
"TO BOSTON, GLOUCESTER, NEW BEDFORD, PROVINCETOWN, CHATHAM THEY COME... HOME FROM THE SEA! 4,000 MASSACHUSETTS SEAFARERS, SAILING 400 VESSELS AND BRINGING IN OVER **300 MILLION POUNDS** OF PRIME SEAFOODS EACH YEAR!"

"AND TO THE SEA THE FISHERMEN OF MASSACHUSETTS RETURN, THE YEAR 'ROUND, YEAR AFTER YEAR ...TO REAP THE ABUNDANCE OF FISH WAITING OUT THERE FOR JUST THE CATCHING!"

"EVER LOOK AT THE FINE COMPLEXIONS AND BOUNDLESS ENERGY OF SEASIDE KIDS? THIS COMES FROM PLENTY OF FRESH AIR AND **SEAFOODS**. FISH AND SHELLFISH ARE LOADED WITH THE NUTRIENTS THAT MAKE FOR ALERT MINDS AND SOUND BODIES... VITAMINS, MINERALS, FINE PROTEIN. EAT AT LEAST 3 SEAFOOD MEALS A WEEK FROM THESE DELICIOUS SEAFOODS OF MASSACHUSETTS."

COD

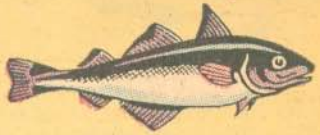
COD IS A LEAN FISH WITH FLAKY-WHITE MEAT, CAUGHT THE YEAR 'ROUND. USUAL WEIGHT ABOUT TEN LBS., BUT SOMETIMES TIPS THE SCALES AT 100 LBS.



SEASIDE KIDS LOVE **BROILED COD FILLETS, CODFISH CAKES 'N' KETCHUP, COD CHOWDER, CREAMED CODFISH, BROILED COD STEAKS.**

HADDOCK

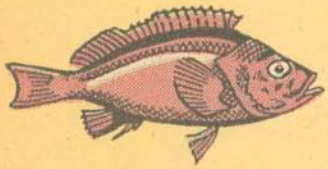
HADDOCK HAS FIRM, WHITE MEAT THAT, LIKE COD, CAN BE COOKED IN ALMOST ANY WAY IMAGINABLE. AVAILABLE IN ANY SEASON IN 4 TO 20 LB. WEIGHTS. **SCROD** IS A BABY HADDOCK OR COD, 1¼ TO 2½ LBS.



SEASIDE KIDS LOVE **BROILED HADDOCK FILLETS, BAKED HADDOCK WITH TOMATO SAUCE, HADDOCK CHOWDER, CREAMED FINNAN HADDIE.**

OCEAN PERCH

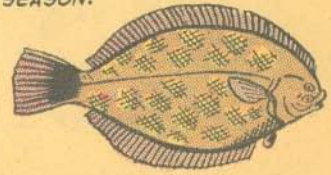
OCEAN PERCH HAS DISTINCTIVE, PINK-COLORED MEAT FAST GAINING IN TASTE POPULARITY. LEAN AND CLEAN, IT WEIGHS IN AT ABOUT 1 LB.



SEASIDE KIDS LOVE **BROILED PERCH FILLETS, BAKED PERCH FILLETS WITH CHEESE SAUCE, FISH BURGERS** (MADE WITH OCEAN PERCH FROZEN PORTIONS), **FISH STICKS AND BAKED BEANS.**

SOLE AND FLOUNDER

SOLE AND **FLOUNDER** ARE LEAN-MEATED FISH WEIGHING UP TO 2 LBS. THEIR BIG FAMILY INCLUDES: LEMON SOLE, GREY SOLE, BLACK BACKS, DABS, YELLOW TAILS AND OTHERS... AVAILABLE IN ANY SEASON.



SEASIDE KIDS LOVE **FLOUNDER FILLET ROLL UPS, FRIED FLOUNDER FILLETS, BAKED FLOUNDER SUPREME, FRIED FILLET OF SOLE** WITH TARTAR SAUCE.

WHITING

WHITING, THE PRIDE OF GLOUCESTER PORT. ABUNDANT, WEIGHING A BIT LESS THAN 1 LB., THIS FISH IS VERY POPULAR BECAUSE OF ITS LEAN, SWEET MEAT.

SEASIDE KIDS LOVE **FRIED WHOLE WHITING, FRIED WHITING FILLETS, WHITING CROQUETTES, WHITING FLORENTINE.**

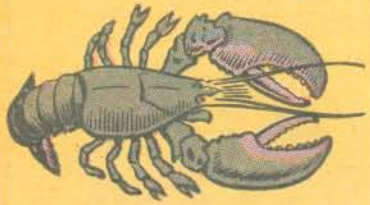
POLLOCK

POLLOCK IS A CLOSE RELATIVE OF THE HADDOCK AND COD. A COLD WATER FISH, POLLOCK AVERAGE 4 TO 15 POUNDS.

SEASIDE KIDS LOVE A **FISH CHOWDER** MADE WITH CHUNKS OF POLLOCK. **BROILED POLLOCK STEAKS** ARE POPULAR, TOO.

LOBSTER

LOBSTER, A CRUSTACEAN WITH BIG CLAWS FILLED WITH DELICIOUS MEAT. TURNS BRIGHT RED WHEN COOKED.



SEASIDE KIDS LOVE **BAKED STUFFED LOBSTER, LOBSTER NEWBURG, LOBSTER SALAD SANDWICHES, LOBSTER STEW.**

SCALLOPS

SCALLOPS ARE SUCCULENT SHELLFISH; FIRM YET TENDER MORSELS GREATLY APPRECIATED BY HOMEMAKERS AND GOURMETS ALIKE BECAUSE OF THEIR VERSATILITY. CAN BE BOUGHT FRESH OR FROZEN ANY MONTH OF THE YEAR.

SEASIDE KIDS LOVE **SCALLOPS PAN FRIED, SCALLOPS FRENCH FRIED** WITH TARTAR SAUCE, **SCALLOPS AND SPAGHETTI, SCALLOP KABOBS, SCALLOP SALAD SANDWICHES.**

GLOSSARY of NAUTICAL TERMS

AUCTION: A PLACE WHERE PRODUCTS, SUCH AS SEAFOODS, ARE SOLD AND BOUGHT. FISH AND SHELLFISH ARE SOLD AT AUCTION ON THE PIER, OR DOCK, WHERE THE FISHING BOATS RETURN AFTER EACH FISHING TRIP.

BATHYSCAPHE: (PRONOUNCED BATH-E-SKAF) A SPECIAL, SCIENTIFIC SUBMARINE USED FOR DEEP-SEA EXPLORATIONS.

DORY: A SMALL, FLAT-BOTTOMED BOAT WITH HIGH SIDES USED FOR FISHING CLOSE TO SHORE, OR FROM A LARGER BOAT OR SHIP THAT CARRIES IT.

FATHOMETER: AN ELECTRONIC DEVICE THAT USES THE ECHO OF SOUND WAVES TO MEASURE THE DEPTH OF WATER IN FATHOMS. ONE FATHOM IS EQUAL TO SIX FEET.

HELMSMAN: THE SAILOR WHO STEERS A BOAT OR SHIP BY TURNING THE "HELM." THIS WHEEL OR LEVER CHANGES THE POSITION OF THE RUDDER WHICH CONTROLS THE DIRECTION OF THE VESSEL.

NANTUCKET SLEIGH RIDE: A FAST RIDE ACROSS WATER IN A BOAT PULLED BY A HARPOONED WHALE TRYING TO ESCAPE. NANTUCKET WAS ONCE A FAMOUS MASSACHUSETTS PORT FOR WHALING SHIPS.

SONAR: AN ELECTRONIC DEVICE THAT USES THE ECHO OF SOUND WAVES TO FIND OBJECTS UNDER WATER, INCLUDING FISH.

STARBOARD: THE RIGHT SIDE OF A BOAT OR SHIP WHEN THE SAILOR IS LOOKING TO THE BOW, OR FRONT, OF THE VESSEL. THE LEFT SIDE IS CALLED THE "PORT" SIDE.

STOVE BOAT: A BOAT THAT HAS A HOLE SMASHED INTO IT.

TRAWL: A METHOD OF FISHING. WHEN TRAWLING, A LARGE POCKET-SHAPED NET IS DRAGGED ALONG THE SEA BOTTOM BEHIND THE FISHING BOAT, OR TRAWLER, TO GATHER IN FISH.

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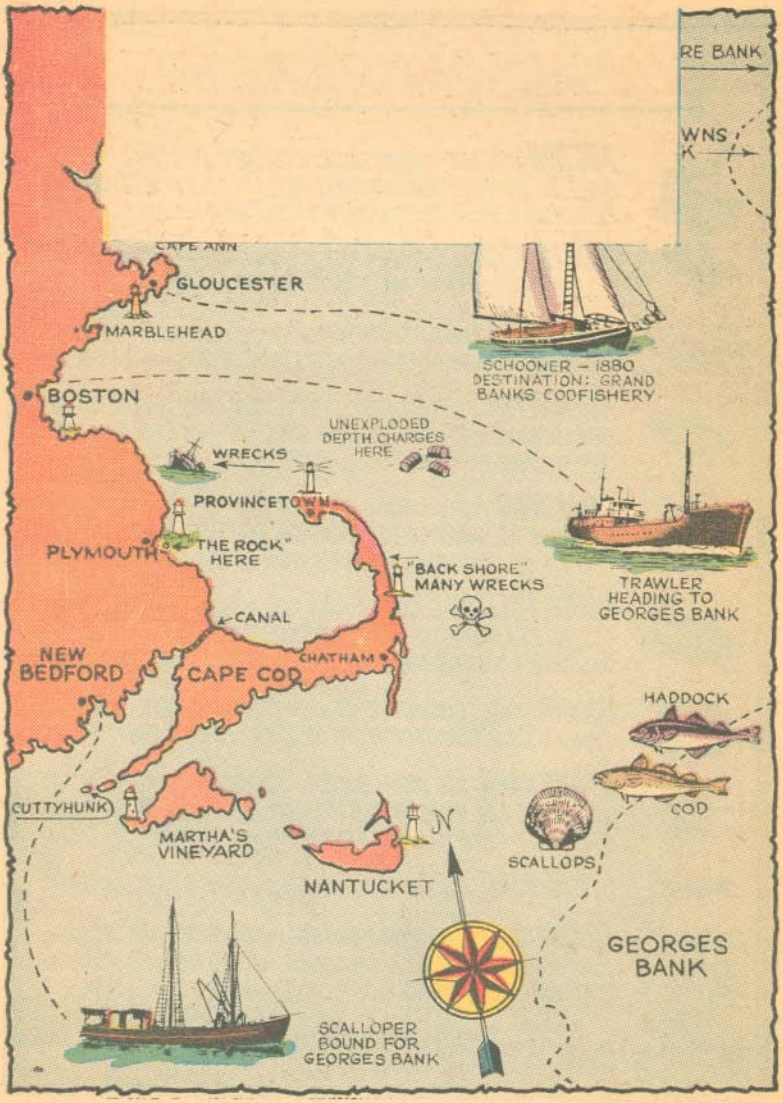

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